

Transportation Advisory Committee Important Action Summary

January 29, 2014, 2:00 pm 2nd floor, Greensboro Council Chambers 300 W. Washington Street

Action Items

- 1. TAC Chair Selection: The TAC voted unanimously to elect Nancy Vaughan as the TAC Chair.
- 2. Conflict of Interest Policy Statement
- 3. Minutes of October 31, 2013: The TAC voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 31, 2013 meeting
- 4. Reports, Concerns, and Discussion from MPO Area Towns: None
- 5. Public Comments: Laura Peoples, Executive Director of Bicycling in Greensboro, announced that Greensboro will host the 2014 NC Bike Summit and Jim Westmoreland will speak at this year's Ride of Silence. Claire Stone, Greensboro resident, requested the MPO set a Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan meeting. The TAC directed MPO staff to schedule a meeting to review the Coordinated Plan.
- 6. 2012-2018 MTIP Modification: U-2524BC: The Administrative Modification adds ITS (intelligent transportation systems capabilities including variable message signs) to NCDOT Project U-2524BC (Greensboro Western Urban Loop & Bryan Boulevard Interchange Improvements). The TAC voted unanimously to endorse the MTIP Administrative Modification for U-2524BC.
- 7. MTIP Amendment FY 2014-2018: Transit Modifications: The MTIP Amendment adjusts transit funding levels, adds additional needed activities to the Section 5307 program, and shifts funding resources. The TAC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP Amendment FY 2014-2018 Transit Modifications.
- 8. Endorse Town of Sedalia Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning Grant request: Supports Sedalia's application to the NCDOT for the 2014 Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant Initiative for development of a Comprehensive Municipal Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The TAC voted unanimously to endorse the Town of Sedalia's Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grant application.
- 9. MTIP Amendment for TAP Projects for FY 2014 & 2015 and Selection of TAP Projects for FY 2015 & 2016: The MTIP Amendment adds Project U-5532 to the 2012-2018 MTIP and directs TAP funding to FY 2014 & 2015 projects. TAP projects selected for FY 2015 & 2016 are for Greensboro Pedestrian Signals, adding sidewalk to Phillips Avenue, and intersection improvements at Aycock Street and Walker Avenue. The TAC voted unanimously to approve the MTIP amendment and direct TAP funding to the recommended projects.
- **10. Prioritization 3.0 Project Selection for Submittal:** Projects will be submitted for funding under NCDOT's Prioritization 3.0. The projects have been reviewed and analyzed by MPO staff. *The TAC voted unanimously to submit the recommended projects for the Greensboro Urban Area for the Strategic Prioritization Process for Transportation Improvement Program FY 2016-2020.*

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Business Items

- **Review 2014 Meeting Schedule:** The meeting schedule for 2014 is based on the same date pattern used for the 2013 meeting schedule.
- State Ethics Act reminder: New ethics requirements are stated in the Senate Bill 411. All TAC members and alternates are required to file a Statement of Economic Interest Form by April 15, 2014 under the State Ethics Act.
- **Draft Public Participation Plan revision:** Updates to the Public Participation Plan are required by FTA to cover Fare and Major Service Changes and the Program of Projects documents prepared annually by the Greensboro Transit Authority (GTA) and the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART).
- **Prioritization 3.0- MPO Draft Methodology:** Draft methodology for the MPO for the prioritization process will be brought back to the TAC in February for endorsement.
- BiPed Plan Update Progress: Information was provided on the meetings with the BiPed Update
 Advisory Committee, the development of the map of greenway recommendations, and the GIS
 model for prioritizing pedestrian infrastructure improvements.
- **Project Updates:** The right of way process has started on the P-5204 McLeansville Road Railroad Grade Separation project; alternatives have been selected for the U-2581/R-2910 US 70 Improvement project; bids for the High Point Road Streetscape project have been received and are slightly over budget; Division 7 is holding a public meeting to solicit comments on the Prioritization 3.0 process; and an item will be brought to the town council in Summerfield to recommend hiring a firm to begin design on an alignment to extend the A&Y Greenway through Summerfield.
- Strategic Reports: MPO staff will begin developing the Unified Planning Work Program for next year's budget. There is a new proposal by NCDOT for the US 29/Reedy Fork Parkway Interchange and improvements have been made to the travel demand model to include freight.

Other Items

- 1. **Board Member Update:** NCDOT staff was thanked for their work during the winter weather and a public meeting will take place in the Division 7 offices on the Prioritization 3.0 process. Additionally, the Board of Transportation has approved a tolling methodology for ferries.
- 2. **Regional Updates:** Discussion of items relating to the travel demand model, an on-going PART project with socio-economic data and enhancing freight components, and the conclusion of the Piedmont Together project.
- 3. Wrap-Up: Bill Greene, of Pleasant Garden, was recognized for his work as a TAC alternate.